Yes on HB 6462

February 21, 2021

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing to enthusiastically support HB 6462 which will appropriately remove ambiguous and opaque language relative to the use of force standard in the state of Connecticut. Language in this legislation brings greater clarity to the existing definition and will remove ambiguity from its interpretation. Connecticut's use of force standard MUST comport with national standards. Further, officers must be trained to unequivocal standards so that their response is consistent and appropriate.

As a former Police Officer and as the former Chief Elected Official for the Town of Farmington, I must say that both officers and the public deserve and rely upon standards that are unequivocal. Improving and bringing clarity to the language and the standard is good public policy and will result in better outcomes. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey J. Hogan